

# METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR MANAGING COMPUTER SECURITY INFORMATION

## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

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A security management system includes a fusion engine which "fuses" or  
assembles information from multiple data sources and analyzes this information in  
order to detect relationships between raw events that may indicate malicious  
behavior and to provide an organized presentation of information to consoles  
10 without slowing down the processing performed by the data sources. The  
multiple data sources can comprise sensors or detectors that monitor network  
traffic or individual computers or both. The sensors can comprise devices that  
may be used in intrusion detection systems (IDS). The data sources can also  
comprise firewalls, audit systems, and other like security or IDS devices that  
15 monitor data traffic in real-time. The present invention can identify relationships  
between one or more real-time, raw computer events as they are received in real-  
time. The fusion engine can also assess and rank the risk of real-time raw events  
as well as mature correlation events.

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